

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A refrigerating apparatus in which a refrigerant circuit which performs a vapor compression refrigerating cycle is provided with an oil return passageway through which refrigerating machine oil separated on the discharge side of compressors is injected into the suction side of said compressors, comprising:

a liquid injection passageway through which liquid refrigerant is injected into the suction side of said compressor,

wherein said oil return passageway is connected directly to said liquid injection passageway in which gas refrigerant in said oil return passageway is mixed with said liquid refrigerant prior to injecting into the suction side of said compressors.

2. (Currently Amended) A refrigerating apparatus in which a refrigerant circuit which performs a vapor compression refrigerating cycle is provided with a gas injection passageway through which gas refrigerant is injected into the suction side of compressors, comprising:

a liquid injection passageway through which liquid refrigerant is injected into the suction side of said compressors,

wherein said gas injection passageway is connected directly to said liquid injection passageway in which gas refrigerant in said gas injection passageway is mixed with said liquid refrigerant prior to injecting into the suction side of said compressors.

3. (Previously Presented) The refrigerating apparatus of either claim 1 or claim 2, comprising:

a heat source side unit and utilization side units, said units being connected with one another,

wherein the degree of superheat of suction refrigerant of said compressors is controlled by adjusting the rate of flow of refrigerant flowing through said liquid injection passageway without operating expansion mechanisms provided in said utilization side units.

4. (Previously Presented) The refrigerating apparatus of claim 3,
wherein said compressors are variable displacement compressors,
wherein said liquid injection passageway is opened whenever the operating capacity of
said compressors exceeds a predetermined value.

5. (Previously Presented) The refrigerating apparatus of claim 3,
wherein at least one of said compressors is deactivated until the operating capacity of said
compressors exceeds a predetermined value.